

Regular Council Meeting  
May 27, 2004

Mayor Marse called to order the regular scheduled meeting of May 27, 2004 at 7 pm.

Councilman Helton gave the invocation and the Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

Members Present: Mayor J.M. Marse, Council members Scott Brannon, Janice McLean, Earl King, Jean Arrant, and Mike Helton were present. Also present: Robin Haynes and City Attorney Clayton Adkinson.

Councilman Brannon motioned to accept the minutes of RCM 5/11/04.  
Councilwoman Arrant 2<sup>nd</sup> the motion, motion carried, 5-0.

Old Business:

Paul Miller of WFRPC submitted a written planning project status report and reviewed such report. Mr. Miller recommended a schedule for submittal of large scale amendments. He also touched on forming a planning board outside of the Council members, this board needs to include school and military board members positions.

Paul Miller presented the second reading of the rezoning of the WC Industrial Park. Councilman Brannon motioned to adopt Ordinance #04-05 as presented. The motion was 2<sup>nd</sup> by Councilman Helton, motion carried, 5-0.

The Watkins property was mistakenly placed on agenda. The annexation request was approved at the last meeting.

Paul Miller presented the second reading of the large scale amendment #2 and requested transmittal to DCA. Councilwoman Arrant motioned to adopt Ordinance #04-06 as presented. The motion was 2<sup>nd</sup> by Councilwoman McLean, motion carried, 5-0.

No engineer's report was submitted.

New Business:

Eddie Farris did not show to address the Council.

Steve Burnham addressed the Council by requesting a variance to move his trailer to 816 east Bay Loop Road. His trailer is presently in the Freeport Mobile Village. Council agreed to allow him to move the trailer, and make sure he gets the policy letter about this move.

Fire Chief Ray Sullivan presented the Council with the monthly fire department report. The department has completed the goals and objectives of the department. Chief Sullivan asked the Council if it was possible to pay the volunteers for meetings and runs. He stated that there was \$4,400 within the budget for the remainder of the year. Attorney Adkinson questioned payment to these volunteers and felt that this was something that needed further investigations. Mayor Marse asked Chief Sullivan to get with Robin and call the insurance company.

Councilman Brannon motioned to pay all bills that are in order. Councilman Helton 2<sup>nd</sup> the motion, it carried, 5-0.

Mayor Marse asked the Council to set a workshop on the sewer area that Regional Utilities is proposing to put their system in. Mayor Marse negotiated with Regional Utilities but now he feels that the Council needs involvement. He also stated that Charles Peters, City engineer and Clayton Adkinson, City attorney were both against allowing Regional Utilities to come into the Freeport franchise. The workshop was scheduled for June 2, 2004 at 7pm.

Councilwoman Arrant wants to pattern after Niceville's Park the memory of children whom have lost their lives. Parents are allowing a name plate of their child to be

placed in the park. Councilwoman Arrant wants to designate Laird Park as the area for such a memorable plate to be located. Also, a special invitation has been sent by Beard Equipment for a grand opening on June 24 and the public is invited.

Someone requested that the sign advertising the new motel at the Freeport Mobile Village be moved back so the public could see the traffic coming.

With no other business, Councilman Helton motioned to adjourn at 7.45 pm.

ATTEST:

APPROVED:

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J.M. Marse, Mayor

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Diane Riley, City Clerk

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Janice McLean, President of Council